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Performers vie to sing anthem at games

By Anne Moser-Kornfeld
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

Water bottles were the fashion rage. The mood of the warm-up room was tense and nervous. Singers laughed between practicing takes. This was the time to forget the lyrics and iron out any mistakes.

All for the chance to sing one song, once. Auditioner Karen Backman said, "It's a difficult song, but why not?"

The University had its first National Anthem contest Sunday night to find singers for the men's and women's basketball games. Early in the week, about 20 people had signed up to audition. By the time the contest got under way, 60 eager singers were anticipating their tryout.

"We didn't think the tryouts would be that big of a deal," coordinator Devon Smith said.

The age range of the singers and skill level of each contestant varied.

Damaris Peterson, age 9, sings at church

and on Saturday mornings when she visits her grandmother. Damaris likes "The Star Spangled Banner," her only anxiety came from being so young. "I never really sang before this many people," she said

Lori Macedone sings professionally for a living.

"This song is the hardest thing in the world to do," Macedone said. "The depth of the song is truly a challenge."

Macedone arrived in a tuxedo and red and white heeled spats. Before her solo, she first played a pitch pipe and then looked straight at the flag while holding her hand over her heart.

A barber shop quartet from Creswell High School sang a 1950s rendition of the anthem. Seth Pratt, Butch Greiner, Bob Faust and Jeff Glass, all 17, wore faded jeans with white rolled sleeved T-shirts. They got together for this audition because they're Duck fans and love basketball.

Harold Hadden, who is retired, started attending Duck games 18 years ago. He sings along with the anthem before every game.

"I sing solo at church," Hadden said. "I'm a cantor."

Hadden said he believed it would be fun to sing for an opening game.

Among others was a group of 12 from the Oregon Children's Choir, Crow High School students and various duets who all sang their unique interpretations of the national anthem.

"The competition is going to be stiff," Smith said. "There have been some really good singers. The judges' job isn't easy."

Contestants were judged on poise, musicality, presentation and overall performance. A panel of seven judges determined the number of openings for the season. They'll be scheduled to sing for one game, and the winners will be notified no later than Friday.

Newspapers will be read from computers in future

By Michele Stangel
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

By the end of the decade, newspapers will be read from flat panel computers instead of the traditional paper forms.

Roger Fidler, the head of Knight-Ridder's Information Design Laboratory, described to journalism students how electronic and digital technology is going to revolutionize the way media is presented to and accessed by its readers.

Newspapers will be delivered electronically via fiber optics or cable lines to a notebook-sized, pen-based computer, Fidler said.

This lightweight flat panel computer displays a newspaper front page with abstracts of the stories, which can be touched to access the rest of the information.

"The flat panels are more interactive than paper newspapers because they allow the reader to browse through the stories with the touch of a finger," Fidler said.

Knight-Ridder is developing

the ability to blend video clips and sound into the print. Graphics will soon have the capability to become fifteen-second video clips with sound when activated by the readers' touch, Fidler said.

Even though this ability ventures into the territory of television, Fidler said, "We're not trying to compete with what TV does best, but right now there is a window for development in print media."

Besides offering interactive graphics, the flat panel comput-

er also allows its readers to create their own highly personalized newspaper.

It does this by letting readers designate which sections of the newspaper they want to receive. The computer can even pull out certain types of stories that the reader is interested in and present a summary of them.

"The electronic newspaper plays on the strengths of traditional newspapers but adds additional value to the product," Fidler said.

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EMU Board will meet today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the EMU Board Room. For more information, call 346-3720.

Hillel will meet today from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 1414 Kincaid. For more information, call 343-8920.

Amnesty International will meet tonight at 7 in EMU Cedar Room B.

Japanese Student Organization will meet today from 5 to 6 p.m. in EMU Cedar Rooms C and D. For more information, call 686-4484.

Unwanted Sexual Behavior Task Force will meet today from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Rooms C and D.

Asian Pacific American Student Union will meet today at 5 p.m. in Room 225 Counseling Center. For more information, call 346-4342.

Overeaters Anonymous will meet today from 12:30 to 1:30 at the Koinonia Center Parlor.

Lesbian Gay & Bisexual Alliance will meet today from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the EMU Oak Room. For more information, call 346-3360.

Students for Kitzhaber will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room F. For more information, call 343-0188.

MISCELLANEOUS

Asian Studies Program will present Jeffery Hanes to speak on "Modan Raisu in the Capital of Money" today from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room E. For more information, call 346-1521.

Pre-Law Society will present Willamette University College of Law today from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in Room 164 Oregon Hall. For more information, call 686-4577.

Sociology Peer Advising will be advising today from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Room 709 PLC. For more information, call 346-5012.

Outdoor Program will present Overnight Ski Touring tonight at 7 in EMU Room 37. For more information, call 346-4365.

Outdoor Program will present its noon video "Body Machine" today at 12:30 p.m. in the EMU Basement. For more information, call 346-4365.

Academic Advising & Student Services will present "Applying to MBA Programs" today at 3:30 p.m. in Room 164 Oregon Hall. For more information, call 346-3211.

International Education & Exchange will present a workshop on U.S. and state non-resident tax issues tonight at 7 in EMU Cedar Rooms C and D. For more information, call 346-1203.

ASUO Safety Affairs will present "Women and Racism" today from 5 to 7 p.m. in the EMU Ben Linder Room. For more information, call 346-0628.

ASUO Safety Affairs will present "Facing Racism in the Lesbian Gay and Bisexual Communities" tonight from 7:30 to 9:30 in the EMU Ben Linder Room. For more information, call 346-0628.

ASUO will have a grievance table today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the EMU Lobby.

ESCAPE will have lobby tables today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Lobby. For more information, call 346-4351.

Career Planning and Placement Service will conduct a job search workshop today from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Room 221 Hendricks.

Career Planning and Placement Service will conduct an office orientation today from 5 to 6 p.m. in Room 221 Hendricks.

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